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Mr. William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence
Headquarters, Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Director:

Over the past nineteen years I have conducted a great deal of personal research concerning various allegations made concerning the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. It has been my hope to either prove or disprove many of the statements contained in publications critical of the original investigation conducted by the "Warren Commission". I am writing now, as I have on other occasions in the past, in order to request clarification regardint a matter concerning the Central Intelligence Agency.

I refer to a photograph appearing as exhibit 237 in Volume XVI of the report issued by the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, which was identified by that Commission only as "an unidentified male". It is my understanding that this photograph was made in Mexico City, Mexico in November 1963 at the time that Lee Harvey Oswald was visiting that city and that it was the result of an investigation by the CIA which was unrelated to Oswald's visit. Apparently it was initially reported that this photograph was that of Oswald leaving a building in that city but this, of course, proved not to be the case. However, to my knowledge, this individual has never been publicaly identified and, in some quarters, this matter has taken on some sinister meaning as a result. It is my hope, therefore, to obtain some clarification of this episode.

It would therefore be appreciated if you would to arrange to advise if the files of the Central Intelligence Agency contain any information concerning both the individual appearing in the photograph in question and the circumstances in which the photograph was originally made.

Thank you so much for your anticipated assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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